

England's substitute Searle (hidden by West Germany's No. 4) forces in the winner at Wembley.

UEFA Amateur Cup

ENGLAND OWE MUCH TO SUBSTITUTE SEARLE

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KEITH SEARLE, called on as a substitute forward in his first international match, took the one clear chance that came his way, to give England's amateur

team a vital UEFA Amateur Cup victory over West Germany at Wembley last night.

He darted through a packed German penalty area in the 66th minute and deftly touched the ball home after Deadman had headed on a corner from Smith on the right wing.

It should encourage England to believe they can beat Malta at home and away and perhaps have a strong chance of winning the group title when they visit West Germany in March

Apart from giving England their first international success against Germany for 60 years, Searle's goal was something of a face-saver on a night when the West Germans had more chances in a match of few scoring openings.

More sparkle

Searle replaced Butterfield at the start of the second half, and injected more sparkle into an England attack that had been far too slow in building up moves to outwit the alert Germans.

Ted Powell, the balding Sutton defender, had a superb game, though often he was more monacing in runs from deep positions than the hesitant England strikers.

Heinz Traser missed two chances in the second half after the Germans had made two subtitutions in their effort to keep the game firmly under control. En.

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His errors enabled England to stretch their unbeaten record to 12 matches, which is a considerable achievement for the team manager, Charles Hughes, in this final season before the amateur status is abolished in this country.

ENGLAND.—J. Swannell; P. Deadman (Hendon), E. Powell (Sutton), M. Preston (Kingstonian), R. Eaton (Enfield), L. Pritchard (Wycombe), A. Bass (B. Stortford), R. Haider (Hendon), W. Smith (Walton), R. Day, J. Butterfield (Enfield) (Sub. K. Searle,

WEST GERMANY.—G. Wienhold; H. Baltes, E. Traser; H. Traser, E. Schmitt, K. Koerbel; W. Kraus, J. Kalb, E. Hammes (sub.: G. Koestner), W. Krause (sub.: D. Mueller), W. Schneider.